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A HOUSE RESOLUTION recognizing the Foundation for Sarcoidosis.

Whereas, Sarcoidosis is a potentially fatal inflammatory disease that can appear in almost any organ in the body and can strike people of all races and ages, affecting many of our fellow citizens in chronic and debilitating ways;

Whereas, While some progress has been made in understanding the symptoms and better diagnosing the disease, the cause remains undetermined, and very little is known about the true burden of this illness;

Whereas, Shanetta Jordan's Sarcoidosis Support Group is

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observing April as Sarcoidosis Awareness Month with the theme of "Never Give Up; Keep Fighting for a Cause";

Whereas, April would be appropriate to designate as Sarcoidosis Awareness Month with worldwide events to increase public awareness of the need to support individuals with sarcoidosis, to raise awareness of the need for more research funding, and to educate medical professionals; and

Whereas, Through increased awareness of this debilitating disease and additional research, discovering the cause of, improving treatment of, and finding a cure for sarcoidosis may be within our reach: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives recognizes the efforts of the Shanetta Jordan's Sarcoidosis Support Group and the Foundation for Sarcoidosis Research International Coalition to Stop Sarcoidosis to raise awareness of the disease and to support research efforts of concerned physicians and scientists throughout the United States.

SECTION 2. That the Indiana House of Representatives salutes the victims of sarcoidosis who demonstrate great courage and determination in their efforts to cope with the disease and pays tribute to their family members and to other concerned Americans who are engaged in grassroots efforts to promote awareness of sarcoidosis as well as improved treatment and support for its victims.

SECTION 3. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit copies of this resolution to Shanetta Jordan's Sarcoidosis Support Group and the Foundation for Sarcoidosis Research International Coalition to Stop Sarcoidosis.

